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WALKER, BARRETT STAND BEHIND MIDWEST AIRLINES

*Officials encourage shareholders to consider impact sale of
the airline would have on the region*

MILWAUKEE – On the eve of a Midwest Airlines shareholders meeting, County Executive Scott Walker and Mayor Tom Barrett expressed their support for the hometown airline, and urged shareholders to consider the impact a loss of the airline would have on the region.

“My support remains squarely behind the hometown airline,” said Mayor Barrett. “The importance of Midwest Airlines to Milwaukee and Wisconsin cannot be measured by dollars and cents alone but rather by what is best for our community. It is my hope that Midwest’s corporate shareholders continue to invest in the airline that is a source of pride for our entire region.”

Midwest Airlines, headquartered right here in Milwaukee County, is consistently rated high for customer service and satisfaction, a source of pride for residents and businesses throughout southeastern Wisconsin. The number of direct flights to desirable destinations for both recreational and business travel is often regarded as a key selling point for many travelers.

County Executive Walker said, “Midwest is more than just a major employer in the county. Midwest is more than just our largest tenant at the airport. Midwest is a brand that sets Milwaukee apart from any other major city in the country. We need to keep that brand in Milwaukee.”

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